

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 9 of the substitute specification, replace the paragraph beginning on line 18 with the following amended paragraph:

--In the case of this embodiment shown a series circuit of 4 delay devices ~~18-21~~ 19-22 and 4 summing devices ~~22-24~~ 37-40 is used. The delay devices and summing devices are connected alternately in series. The microphone 12 is connected to the input of the delay device 21, whilst the outputs of the microphones 8-11 are connected to the respective summing devices ~~23-26~~ 37-40.--

Page 9 of the substitute specification, replace the paragraph beginning on line 25 and bridging pages 9 and 10, with the following amended paragraph:

--With this embodiment as well the signal from the microphone 12 is delayed by a delay period of 4 times τ_t , if each delay device produces a delay of τ_t . After adding in the summing device ~~26~~ 40, the output signal from the microphone 11 is delayed by a delay period of 3 times τ_t . Corresponding delays apply in respect of the microphones 9 and 10. The output signal from the microphone 8 is not delayed. If desired, a further delay device can be incorporated behind the summing device ~~23~~ 37.--